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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: divisional application of:

Steven J. Soldin Serial No. 10/073,334 Filed: 02/13/2002 Derived from:

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For: A Novel 8.4 kDa Immunophilin

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination please make the following amendments:

In the specification:

Insert substitute p. 29.

In the claims:

Amend claim 1 as follows:

- 1. An immunophilin, comprising a protein with the following properties:
 - (i) a protein of 8.4 kDa mass;
 - (ii) isolated from the soluble cytoplasm of lymphoid tissues;
 - (iii) the N-terminal first 23 amino acid sequence is:

[MET GLN ILE PHE VAL LYS THR LEU THR GLY LYS THR ILE THR LEU GLU VAL GLU PRO SER ASP THR ILE]

Seq. ID No. 1

-Met Gln Ile Phe Val Lys Thr Leu Thr Gly
1 5 10
Lys Thr Ile Thr Leu Glu Val Glu Pro Ser
15 20

Asp Thr Ile --

and,

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